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Raymond Goodrich

Ray has participated in our sport of Retriever Field Trials for over 50 years as an Owner, Amateur Trainer and Handler of Labrador Retrievers, many of which have won and/or placed in Opens and Amateurs and four (4) that became titled.

Ray's titled dogs were NAFC-FC Ray's Rascal, the 1975 NARC Champion, Finalist in two additional NARC Championships and two NRC Championships, the 1973 and 1975 High Point Open Dog, five time Double Header Winner and the 1969 High Point Derby Champion. Rascal earned 342 1/2 All Age Points and has been inducted into the Retriever Hall of Fame; FC-AFC Carmoney Brigadier, Finalist in 1971 NRC Championship, Double Header Winner, 192 All Age Points who has also been inducted into the Retriever Hall of Fame; FC-AFC Goodrich's Smokey Bear, Ray's first dog earned Eight Derby Stake Wins and 53 Derby points. He had completed his titles prior to an untimely death at the age of three years and two months; and FC-AFC Rascal's Double Trouble, finalist in 1981 NARC Championship.

Ray has contributed greatly to our sport over these many years. He is a true gentleman and Sportsman, and respected Judge who has judged 42 Major Stakes including two National Championships, the 1977 NARC Championship and the 1985 NRC Championship. He served as Chairman of the 1979 NRC Championship, as a NRC Director and in 1983 as the NRC President. Ray continues to serve the NRC through the use of his ranch for National Championship Stakes.

Ray and his wife Dede and Joe and Marilyn Boatright purchased a ranch near Oakdale California in the 1980's, developed it for Retriever Training and Field Trials and made it available for training and Retriever Events. The Northern California Retriever Club has held its Fall Field Trial on the ranch since 1997 and other clubs have occasionally held trials, training seminars and other special events on the grounds, always at no cost. The Ranch has hosted five (5) of the last six (6) west coast National Retriever Club Championship Stakes and the 2015 NRC Championship is also scheduled to be held there.

Ray is a true Amateur who has never used a professional trainer. He continues to train and handle his own dogs in field trials at 93 years of age.